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MEMORANDUM FOR : Chief, Security Branch, Development Projects Division
SUBJECT : Relationship of [redacted] to Project CORONA in the Light of [redacted] knowledgeability

1. I had a useful discussion with [redacted] on 2 June, having to do with the responsibilities of [redacted] with regard to Project CORONA now that [redacted] have been [redacted] on CORONA and on TKH. It covered a variety of topics, some of which will affect you. These are as follows:

a. I am advised that [redacted] is obtaining a cable designator for TKH for use on the [redacted] communications channel. This slug, which is [redacted] will be used whenever matters in Henry's area are discussed between Headquarters and [redacted]. John has asked for a special action designator of this sort to be appended to cables when the matter deals with CORONA operations. I assured him that we would obtain this, and I should like to ask if you would take steps in conjunction with the Chief, Administrative Staff, to obtain an action designator which would deal only with the action side of CORONA. This, I feel, is necessary, since [redacted] has asked that [redacted] alerted prior to an actual launch so that the [redacted] will be in a position to answer queries from the [redacted] arising from their reading of the public press which will cover the launchings.

b. In this context [redacted] raised the question of CORONA clearances for one or more of the communicators on duty in the [redacted]. Since he told me that [redacted] has already taken steps to clear one or two of these people in [redacted] for [redacted], may I suggest that you coordinate with Henry, looking toward clearances for the handling of CORONA traffic by the same people.

2. Will you please advise me of your progress on both of these matters.

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